IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.BALAKRISHNAN NAIR

FRIDAY, THE 19TH JANUARY 2007 / 29TH PAUSHA 1928

WP(C).No. 24593 of 2006(C)

PETITIONER:

K.I.BABY, GOVERNMENT CONTRACTOR,
KUNNEL HOUSE, KUNNACKAL P.O.,
MUVATTUPUZHA, ERNAKULAM DISTRICT.

BY ADV. SRI.K.BABU THOMAS

RESPONDENTS:
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1. **KERALA WATER AUTHORITY,**
   JALA BHAVAN, VELLAYAMBALAM P.O., TRIVANDRUM,
   REP.BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR.

2. **THE CHIEF ENGINEER, KERALA WATER**
   AUTHORITY, CENTRAL REGION, KOCHI.

3. **THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,**
   KERALA WATER AUTHORITY, PH CIRCLE,
   MUVATTUPUZHA.

4. **THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,**
   KERALA WATER AUTHORITY, P.H.DIVISION,
   PIRAVOM, ERNAKULAM.

BY ADV. SRI.M.DINESH, SC, KWA

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 19/01/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

K.BALAKRISHNAN NAIR, J.

W.P.(C) NO. 24593 OF 2006-C

JUDGMENT

The petitioner did the works of "augmentation of water supply scheme to Piravom – Extension of pipeline to uncovered areas of Onakoor village", for the Kerala Water Authority. The agreement for the same was executed on 22.7.1994. He completed the work on 30.5.1997. Ext.P3 is the final bill. So far, the amount due to the petitioner has not been released, it is submitted. So, he filed Ext.P4 representation before the 1st respondent. Thereafter, this Writ Petition is filed, seeking a direction to the 1st respondent to consider Ext.P4 and pay the amount due under Ext.P3 bill to him.

2. The respondents have not filed any counter affidavit. The 1st respondent is directed to consider the claim of the petitioner raised in Ext.P4 to pay the amount due under Ext.P3 bill and take a decision thereon in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity of being heard to him within two months from the date of production of a copy of this judgment. If there is any objection in paying the amount claimed by the petitioner, he shall be put on notice regarding the objection and he shall be afforded an

opportunity of being heard before final orders are passed on his claim.

The Writ Petition is disposed of as above.

19th January, 2007. K.BALAKRISHNAN NAIR, JUDGE.

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